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Exploring, Learning, Creating: OGT's New Education Space

by Letty Wilson Bonnell



PHOTO BY LUCY CORTEZ

Lauren Rankel, left, the new Education Coordinator, chats with Stephenie Arcido, the new Director of Operations in Old Greenbelt Theatre's new Screening Room.

A highlight of the Old Greenbelt Theatre's grand opening on Saturday, May 14 was touring the Screening Room and Media Arts Literacy Lab at 125 Centerway, the new center for the Beyond the Screen initiative. As stated on the OGT website, this new space will allow the Friends of Greenbelt Theatre (FOGT) to "take its mission to be the center for film culture and education in Prince George's County to new heights." See more about the initiative at greenbelttheatre.org/beyond-the-screen.

The screening room first opened as a pop-up on July 3, 2019. After the theater closed at the beginning of the pandemic in March 2020, a successful fundraising campaign set in motion the transformation of the former storefront. An interior door now connects the Art Deco theater lobby to the new space, allow-

ing for easy passage from one venue to the other. The wooden honey-toned wall of the screening room, with curved bench seating, welcomes attendees into this adjoining room. Dark green fabric on the old-style movie seats in the screening room, blue-green tile in the bathroom and on the wall of the concession stand, and a mosaic of green triangles on the workshop tables suggests a contemporary revision of the original theater's 1938 style.

The first workshop in the media lab, Making New Sounds for Silent Movies, took place on April 23, led by Washington, D.C., composer Andrew Simpson. Focusing on kids from 9 to 12 years of age, Simpson guided his students in using instruments and found objects to create a score for a short silent film clip.

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Greenbelt Road Proposal Cuts Lanes, Speed to Be Safer for All

by Amy Hansen

Greenbelt Road should be reduced by one lane in each direction, have a reduced speed (25 mph) and have better pedestrian crosswalks.

Those are three of the recommendations Kittelson & Associates, Inc. have put in their nearly 200-page Greenbelt Road Corridor Plan Draft, which is available on the City of Greenbelt website at greenbeltnmd.gov. Comments are being accepted through Tuesday, May 31.

The goals of this project, according to the draft, are to provide equitable and safe movement of people along Greenbelt Road; to provide key connections to residential communities, businesses, neighborhoods and parks;

to support livability and economic development by improving access; and to create a more human-scale environment along the corridor.

Project staff included members of Kittelson & Associates, as well as Foursquare Integrated Transportation Planning, plus Holly Simmons, Terri Hruby and Molly Porter from the City of Greenbelt Department of Planning and Community Development and Janie Nham from the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments.

Within the planning-level analysis, Kittelson demonstrated the feasibility of reducing the number of through lanes on Greenbelt Road using Greenbelt peak-hour

traffic volumes, according to Community Planner Simmons.

Kittelson reported that daily traffic volumes along Greenbelt Road peaked in 2006 and never fully recovered after the 2008 economic recession. More recently, daily traffic volumes have decreased due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Lasting effects of the pandemic on traffic volumes are unknown, Simmons said.

This project comes after several earlier studies, including the Greenbelt senior mobility and accessibility barriers study, as well as the Community Walk led by State Delegate Alonzo Washington in September 2021.

During the virtual visioning

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View of Greenbelt Road (Route 193) in front of Beltway Plaza

Council Holds Public Hearing On Upcoming 2023 Budget

by Matthew Arbach

The Greenbelt City Council meeting on Monday, May 9 was focused on the public hearing for the upcoming budget (the first of two), but included residents sharing views on the recent shooting (May 2) and eviction relief. Representatives of the Greenbelt Police Department, Public Works, as well as the Greenbelt Assistance

in Living Program (GAIL) and Senior Citizen Advisory Board were present to receive proclamations from Mayor Emmett Jordan, to commemorate Police Week, Public Works Week and Older Americans Month. These representatives gave a brief summary of their current activities.

Citizen Concerns

At the onset, resident Bob Rand expressed his desire for some sort of public review of the May 2 incident. As the city does not have a civilian police review board (which is a possibility for the future), Rand suggested that the Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) be given this charge. While stating that the use of 10 shots to disable the resident seemed excessive, he acknowledged that he was not present at the time and thus could not make an accurate and objective assessment. He pressed for a much greater mental health perspec-

tive and presence on future calls such as this one, believing that there are better tools, tactics and de-escalation strategies in these situations than guns. He looked forward to the release of body camera footage on May 11.

Resident Gionni Smith pressed for the city to consider a further round of eviction relief, citing the difficulties being experienced by his mother at Franklin Park, who is now facing eviction despite his best efforts to assist her. He related that outreach to the Department of Social Services, the county and Greenbelt CARES has proved fruitless so far.

Jordan responded that the city has already invested \$1.5 million from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) reserves for eviction and mortgage relief, and plans to do more. He advised further direct contact with CARES. He stated that council is well aware

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What Goes On

Monday, May 30
Memorial Day, City Offices Closed
Wednesday, June 1
7:30 p.m. Worksession: Final Budget Review, Municipal Building

See the city ad on page 5 and the meetings calendar at greenbeltnmd.gov for more information.



PHOTO BY KATE MAGILL ROBINSON

Mila Shapiro is the Big Bad Wolf while Claire McBride is Little Red Riding Hood during the Community Center dance studio recital on Saturday, May 21. See more photos, page 12.

Letters to the Editor

A Special Community

We agree with many others that our Greenbelt is a very special community.

And the Washington Post echoed that thought recently.

We hear so often of police shootings, including one recently in our community. But unlike so many others, our assailant is in the hospital and can receive medical and mental health treatment.

Our congratulations to the two officers and our tribute to Chief Bowers for his leadership.

David & Sandra Lange

Greenbelters Struggle While Council Stalls

The city received \$23 million from the American Rescue Plan Act that was signed nearly 14 months ago by President Biden. However, one would not blame the residents of Greenbelt if they forgot that the city had received this windfall from the taxpayers because council still hasn't used that money to help the residents. Instead, council continues to withhold that money from us. Meanwhile, food costs are up almost 12 percent from April 2020 to April 2022, and gasoline costs are up over 139 percent from the second week of May 2020 to the second week of May 2022,

according to the Federal Reserve. Sending grocery cards and gasoline cards to town residents would have cost a mere fraction of the \$23 million that the city received and would have been a huge relief to struggling residents. Indeed, the Census Bureau estimates that 15.2 percent of Greenbelt residents were living in poverty (at least as of 2020). If council isn't going to use those funds to help Greenbelt families deal with this current surge of price inflation, then what is council going to use the funds for?

In the meantime, I have counted at least 10 photo ops of Mayor Emmett Jordan handing out proclamations and multiple ribbon-cutting ceremonies in the past two months. Now, I'm not some idealist who thinks that elected officials should only engage in substance, not performance. Politics has, and always will be, partially performative. However, performance must be earned. In other words, our elected officials have to do their job (which is, first and foremost, writing and passing legislation) in order to earn the privilege of enjoying performance (such as photo ops for proclamations and ribbon-cutting ceremonies). Let's demand council do its job and help Greenbelt families!

Alexander Zajac

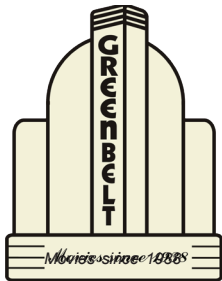
Correction

Last week, in the group photo directly below the page 8 text about the Golden Age Club's ice cream social, the Nancy pictured is actually Nancy Boyd.

Memorial Day Events

On Monday, May 30, Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 and the City of Greenbelt will host a celebration at the Greenbelt War Memorial next to Roosevelt Center, starting at 11 a.m. Attendees are then invited to the Post (6900 Greenbelt Road) for a light lunch.

Pre-Memorial Day events at the Post include a cookout on Sunday, May 29, from 1 to 4 p.m., with Rolling Thunder Maryland Chapter.



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Phyllis Oresky reads the Greenbelt News Review in Eilat, Israel.

On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

Downton Abbey: A New Era

From award-winning creator Julian Fellowes comes the much-anticipated cinematic return of the beloved cast as they go on a grand journey to the south of France to uncover the mystery of the Dowager Countess' newly inherited villa. The family and staff also observe and participate in the making of a film at Downton Abbey.

Rated PG, running time 125 minutes

Happening

(In French with English subtitles)

A tough but rewarding watch, this is the story of Anne, a young woman who decides to end her pregnancy to finish her studies and escape the social constraints of a working-class family. France in 1963: a society that censures women's desires. And sex in general. This simple but cruel story follows the itinerary of a woman who decides to go against the law. Anne has only a little time before she must act. Her exams are just around the corner, and her baby bump is growing fast. A loose adaptation of Annie Ernaux's novel, reflecting her own experience with abortion when it was still illegal in France in the 1960s, the film won the Golden Lion at the 78th Venice International Film Festival and received universal acclaim from critics.

Rated R, running time 100 minutes

Community Events

Chadwick Boseman Film Festival

As part of Juneteenth celebrations, come to the Chadwick Boseman Film Festival on Thursday, June 16, Saturday, June 18 and Monday, June 20. The event is sponsored by the Greenbelt Black History and Culture Committee, Old Greenbelt Theatre and Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness (RUAK), and is free of charge.

Also on June 18 the committee, in collaboration with the Prince George’s County Lynching Memorial Project, will sponsor an award ceremony for students who won the Equal Justice Initiative Essay and Art contests at 2:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

Other activities for June 18 include a Freedom Poetry and Monologue workshop with Reneé Charlow, an art therapist and former assistant to the late Ntozake Shange. The workshop is hosted by The SPACE: Free Art For All, and will be held at Beltway Plaza from noon to 3 p.m. Visit blackhistoryandculturegb@gmail.com for additional information.

GIVES Membership Meeting June 11

Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES) will hold its quarterly membership meeting via Zoom on Saturday, June 11 at 10 a.m. A Zoom link will be sent to all members a week prior to the meeting.

GIVES members volunteer to transport people to medical and other necessary appointments, take care of pets during hospital stays or other times when seniors cannot, stay with members who can’t be left alone so that their family can run errands, and pick up groceries or other items ordered online.

Anyone who needs help now or knows someone who may need these services, call 301-507-6580 for a membership application form. Once a member, one can request a service that will be sent to the volunteer providers. Service requests must be submitted at least four business days in advance to give time to find a match.

Because GIVES is part of a federal grant program under the auspices of the Jewish Council on Aging in Montgomery County and for insurance purposes, anyone receiving or providing services must be a GIVES member.

For more information about becoming a member, either to receive assistance or volunteer to provide services, call 301-507-6580 or send an email to givesoffice@gmail.com. The office is staffed from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. every weekday.



Greenbelt Park Offers Free Campfire Program

Campground guests and the public are welcome to come to a traditional National Park Service campfire program at the Greenbelt Park campground on Saturday, May 28. For more information, call 301-344-3944 or visit nps.gov/gree.

Family Art Day At The SPACE

The monthly Family Art Day will be held at The SPACE, across from AMC theaters in Beltway Plaza, on Saturday, May 28 from 4 to 7 p.m. This month the theme is jewelry making.

Star Party Saturday

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, free and open to the public, on Saturday, May 28 at the City Observatory located at Northway Fields. Attendees can expect to see some of the many galaxies currently high in the sky, viewed through our Observatory telescope and astronomical camera. As always, all are welcome, whether ASG members or not, and visitors are encouraged to set up their own telescopes on the hilltop.

Observing will begin at 9:30 p.m. and continue for two hours. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. Per current county Covid guidance, masks are not required. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

Open Air Resource Fair – New Date

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) Program in partnership with Dementia Friendly Northern Prince George’s County is hosting an Open-Air Resource Fair for Caregivers on Wednesday, June 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Community Center parking lot. New to caregiving or a seasoned caregiver? Don’t know where to start or need new resources? With over 20 vendors participating, get all the information needed and more at the Open-Air Resource Fair. There will be free giveaways, health screenings and more.

This date is the rain date from the previously scheduled May 24 event. Those who already registered do not need to do so again. To register, contact Katherine Farzin at 240-542-2019.

Workday Restoring The Woodland Edge

Volunteer and go home with free wildflower seedlings! The GHI Woodlands Committee is hosting a workday on Sunday, May 29 from 3 to 6 p.m. The tasks will be transplanting wildflower seedlings into the woodland edge around our native plant propagation area. Volunteers may take home several native wildflower seedlings to raise in their home garden. Meet at the picnic table between 8 and 10 Courts Laurel Hill Road. Work will be next to the blackberry patch at the woodland edge.

What to bring:

1. Clothes that cover the skin. Wear leather gloves and thick pants to protect against scratches.
2. Bring bug repellent, hand sanitizer, etc.
3. Tools and equipment will be provided, but bring a shovel, trowel or pruners to facilitate other volunteers’ involvement.

For more information, contact SowingStrength2@gmail.com.

Financial Resources For Accessible Homes

On Tuesday, June 14 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) will host Christal Batey from Greenbelt’s Assistance in Living Program for a community event via Zoom. This session will provide information about two sources of funding for home modifications to enable seniors and disabled individuals to remain in their own homes. The first program is Accessible Homes for Seniors (dhcd.maryland.gov/Residents/Pages/ahsp) and the second is a WholeHome Grant (dhcd.maryland.gov/residents/pages/wholehome.aspx). Batey will explain the programs, how they work and how individuals can apply for these funds. Register in advance for this meeting at us02web.zoom.us/join/register/tZYodeivqjlrGtxke40ly0dPbGk9KHL0evbz.

A confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting will be sent. One does not need to be a GHI member to attend this event.

Red Cross Urgently Seeks Blood Donors

It’s critically important the Red Cross maintain a stable blood supply for patients this summer. To schedule an appointment to donate, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Drives that offer appointments available near Greenbelt in June are at the Cheverly American Legion on Thursday, June 9 and the Hotel at the University of Maryland on Tuesday, June 14.

All who come to give blood in the month of June will be automatically entered for a chance to win a VIP trip to Graceland for two, including round-trip airfare to Memphis, plus a three-night stay at The Guest House and Elvis Entourage VIP tour, courtesy of Graceland, a custom-wrapped Gibson Epiphone guitar and more. Additionally, those who come to donate June 1 to 30 will also receive a \$5 e-gift card to a merchant of choice.



Boxwood Village Scholarship Open

The Boxwood Village Civic Association offers an annual \$500 scholarship to a current Boxwood Village resident. It is available to graduating high school seniors and full-time (at least 12 credit hours per semester) undergraduate students. The scholarship is partially funded through the proceeds from the Boxwood booth at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, Annual Boxwood Yard Sale and other activities.

The application form should be completed and returned by Thursday, June 30. A scholarship committee comprised of three Boxwood Village residents will choose this year’s recipient. For further information and/or to pick up an application form, email Pat McAndrew at pmcandrew@mzmlaw.net.



The Chess Club meets for the first time on Monday, May 9.

Not For Seniors Only On Saturday, June 4

Everyone, young or old, is invited to come online for a Zoom virtual gathering with fellow Greenbelters and share the story of what you did to make creative connections with others while all of us were quarantined because of the Covid-19 pandemic. Everyone experienced highs and lows during that time, and at this year’s Not For Seniors Only event on Saturday, June 4 at 1 p.m., the plan is to explore how members of our community found creative, positive ways to stay connected. This virtual get-together will be on Zoom and is being sponsored by the city’s Senior Citizens Advisory Committee. To participate in the conversation, pre-register at: bit.ly/NFSR022.



Community Book Drive

The SPACE: Free Art For All and Friends of the Greenbelt Library present an opportunity to make sure all kids discover the gift of reading on Tuesday, May 31, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the parking lot behind the Greenbelt Library. All new and gently used books will be accepted but children’s, teen’s and graphic novels are particularly needed. Art kits and paper crafts will be available for all youth in attendance.

New Chess Club In Greenbelt

Chess Club is for all levels and ages and is free of charge. The next meeting is Monday, June 13, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., and then the second Monday of every month, at the New Deal Café. Teaching is provided, as needed. Bring a chess board, if possible. For questions, contact: Effie Levner, 443-415-1053.


Voter Rally Saturday

Join Greenbelt Voices Rising for the fourth annual One Voice Voter Rally on Saturday, May 28 from 1 to 4 p.m. Meet inside Beltway Plaza at the open space across from Heavenly Bakery in the center of the mall. Come listen to county and state candidates of all parties before the July 19 primary. Also register to vote.

There will be special performances by the Greenbelt S.I.T.Y. Stars jump rope teams.

Greenbelt Peace Camp

Peace Camp, a social emotional learning program for children ages 5 to 14, will be held July 18 to 22 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Church. Little Friends for Peace uses art, games and presentations to teach children mindfulness, empathy, anger management, conflict resolution and self-empowerment. The price is \$275. Scholarships are available. For more information go to lffp.org/peacecamp.html.



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Obituaries

Stephen Giffin Hunt



Stephen Giffin Hunt, Sr.

Stephen (Steve) Giffin Hunt died peacefully on May 6, 2022, at Southern Maryland Hospital. He was born in Columbus, Ohio, on June 7, 1955, to Howard and Virginia (Giffin) Hunt. His family moved to Greenbelt when he was two months old, and he grew up in a GHI home on Crescent Road with his father, mother and two brothers. Stephen was an altar boy in his younger days at Mowatt United Methodist Church, where his mother was the church secretary. He was briefly involved in scouting.

Steve spent many summers of his childhood at his grandparents' farm in Van Wert, Ohio. He attended elementary and middle school in Greenbelt and graduated from Parkdale High School in the class of 1973. He attended the University of Maryland, earning his bachelors' degree in sociology. For over 40 years, he worked in building supply as a warehouseman, forklift driver, customer service rep, night manager and in other positions. He lived in Greenbelt his entire life.

Steve had many hobbies and interests. He was an ardent Trek-kie who watched every movie and TV series episode of Star Trek. An avid Doc Savage reader, he also enjoyed Dr. Who, as well

as many other sci-fi books and movies. He was a true hardcore Washington Commanders football fan and would not allow any disruptions during the games.

Steve listened to many styles of music, from classical to rock, and played the guitar. He loved camping, hiking, bicycling, photography, traveling, astrology and jewelry making. He liked socializing with his neighbors, and spending time with his family. A loving and giving husband and father, he always remembered birthdays, anniversaries and other special occasions, and made time to go on vacations with his family, relishing the countryside as well as the shore. He took his son to every scout meeting and camping trip, which was a joy for both of them and volunteered at the Boy Scout booth at the Labor Day festivals.

Steve was preceded in death by his mother, father and his older brother Howard "Skeeter" George Hunt. He is survived by his wife Melinda; son Stephen, Jr.; brother Christopher Hunt; many brothers and sisters-in-law, including Rene Hunt, Mark and Maureen Francis, Phil and Marilyn Simmers, Philip Ball and Randel Ball; as well as many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.



Clematis flower in bloom



Ukraine Vigil on Sunday, May 1, attendees are, from left, Michael Travis, Marj Donn, Donna Hoffmeister, David Shapiro, Daniel Thies, Amanda Jennings, Bill Orleans and Rick Nelson

How to Help Ukraine

The City of Greenbelt has posted on its website a list of charities that support the people of Ukraine as they fight against Russian invaders. The city identifies 13 groups that are doing work in Ukraine including the well-known Doctors Without Borders as well as the lesser-known GoFundMe projects aimed at keeping journalists going. The list can be viewed under News on greenbeltmd.gov. The source of the list is the Washington Post.





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Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.

The Bible Says...

THANK YOU To Those Who Made The Ultimate Sacrifice.

"We know love by this, that Jesus laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for others."

1 John 3:16



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Congratulations are in order to members of the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Class of 2022, including some outstanding scholars: Cora L. Jackson is a National Merit Scholarship finalist, and Christianah Olufade will be attending Lewis and Clark College as a Posse Scholar, receiving a four-year, full-tuition scholarship. ERHS Salutatorian Osvaldo Hernandez once had limited English language proficiency. He now speaks five languages including French, Spanish, Russian and American Sign Language. He will study chemical engineering at Cornell University.

Congratulations to Kim Taylor and Caroline Lehman, winners of David Craig Memorial Scholarships. See story on page 7.

The News Review wishes staff members Jim and Marjorie Gray well as they move to North Carolina to be closer to relatives. We thank them for their almost 20 years of proofreading, Marjorie for about 11 years and Jim, 8.

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— 'Abdu'l-Bahá



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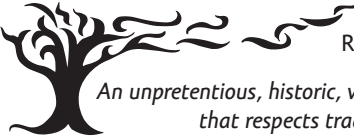
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This service, prepared and shared with us by the UUA, explores Unitarian Universalist theology and features a sermon from UUA President Susan Frederick-Grey.



City Notes

Springhill Lake Recreation Center hosted a Celebration of Spring event, helped by Horticulture/Parks staff who delivered picnic tables and refuse/recycling barrels.

Greenbelt’s Pit Stop for Bike to Work Day welcomed a record-breaking 103 bikers. For the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) Student Award Ceremony, Maintenance/Special Details delivered 40 chairs to the council chambers. Sustainability/Environmental held a Pollinator Circle meeting and Refuse/Recycling collected 25.94 tons of refuse and 11.28 tons of recyclables.

Arts introduced a popular new woodcarving class and, with CHEARS, hosted an art and poetry event at Schrom Hills Park. The Greenbelt Museum has reopened for tours of its home at 10-B Crescent Road with timed tickets soon available on Eventbrite.

Therapeutic Recreation facilitated meal delivery for 27 seniors. The Community Center and the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program hosted a food/diaper distribution. Green Ridge House kicked off Older Americans Month with an ice cream social for 25 seniors.

CARES welcomed Meghan Meros, their new bilingual crisis intervention counselor.

At the Library

Greenbelt Library hours: Mondays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays, noon to 8 p.m.; Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sundays, 1 to 5 p.m.

All Prince George’s County branch libraries will be closed on Sunday, May 29 and Monday, May 30 for the Memorial Day holiday.

Health and Safety

Face masks continue to be required at county libraries for everyone ages 2 and up. The Library appreciates customers’ assistance with maintaining a safe environment for children who are not yet eligible for Covid-19 vaccines and for customers and staff who are at high risk.

Note that the Library has resumed presenting outdoor programs by the upper level entrance, weather permitting. Programs at the Greenbelt Branch move inside into the Auditorium on the lower level next week.

Events

The following events will be held outdoors, weather permitting. Register online to attend.

Ready 2 Read Storytimes. Wednesdays, ages 3 to 5, 12:15 p.m.; Thursdays, ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m. Come for stories, songs, finger-plays and more.

Teen Action Group. Wednesdays, 4:30 p.m., ages 13 to 18. Need to earn community service hours? Come make a difference in the community, gain friends from around the area and make your voice heard.

VolunTEEN Program

Prince George’s County teens in grades 6 to 12 can earn student service learning (SSL) hours through participation in the Library’s VolunTEEN program. Teens may submit the appropriate information needed for each VolunTEEN prompt in Beanstack via the link on the Teens webpage at pgcmls.info/teens. All of the necessary information must be provided for a teen to earn their SSL hours through the VolunTEEN program, up to a maximum of 12 SSL hours.



City Information & Events

The strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation. We celebrate all people. By sharing together all are enriched. We strive to be a respectful, welcoming community that is open, accessible, safe and fair.

MEETINGS FOR MAY 30 - JUNE 3

- Monday, May 30 **NO MEETING - MEMORIAL DAY**
- Tuesday, May 31 at 3:30 pm, **SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
- Wednesday, June 1 at 7:30 pm, **BUDGET WORK SESSION - FINAL BUDGET REVIEW (IN-PERSON)**
- Thursday, June 2 at 7 pm, **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**, *On the Agenda: Continued Planning of the Upcoming Community Policing Forums*

In advance, the hearing impaired is advised to use MD RELAY at 711 to submit your questions/comments or contact the City Clerk at 301-474-8000 or email banderson@greenbeltmd.gov. This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000. For information on public participation for the meetings above, visit the meetings calendar at greenbeltmd.gov

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day.

The Greenbelt Connection will not be operating.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

- Week of May 30
- Monday Route – Collected Tuesday
- Tuesday Route – Collected Wednesday
- Wednesday Route – Collected Thursday
- Thursday Route – Collected Friday

There will be no appliance/metal, hard plastics, or yard waste collections on Friday, June 3

COMMITTEES & BOARDS VACANCIES:

- Advisory Committee on Education
- Arts Advisory Board
- Board of Elections
- Community Relations Advisory Board
- Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability
- Park and Recreation Advisory Board
- Youth Advisory Committee

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (301) 474-8000

Greenbelt ARPA Funds Assistance Programs Update (as of 5/16/22)

- Rent and Utility Assistance
 - 275 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$1,130,633.06
- Mortgage and HOA fee Assistance
 - 9 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$20,763.56

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ART EXHIBITION

Notation with Harmony: Paintings by Sally JK Davies

Greenbelt Community Center Art Gallery
15 Crescent Road

Open daily through 8/19.
M-F, 9 am - 9 pm
Sa, 9 am - 6 pm
Su, 9 am - 7 pm.

Holiday hours may vary; call (301) 397-2208.

More information at www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts



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Saturday June 4 | Virtual on Zoom | 1 pm
Register at: bit.ly/NFSRO22

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Wednesday, June 1 | 10 am - 2 pm
To register visit: bit.ly/3M2DQJ5

DRAFT GREENBELT ROAD CORRIDOR PLAN
NOW AVAILABLE FOR COMMENT

Public Comment Period: May 10 - May 31

The City of Greenbelt and Kittelson & Associates, Inc are pleased to share the Draft Greenbelt Road Corridor Plan. This plan aims to create a cohesive vision for the future of Greenbelt Road with short and long-term recommendations.

By visiting the Greenbelt Road Corridor Plan website at <https://www.greenbeltmd.gov/government/greenbelt-road-md-193-corridor-plan> you can view and download the plan, submit your comments via our online form, and find more information on the plan.

CHESAPEAKE BAY AWARENESS WEEK
BUDDY ATTICK PARK CLEAN UP

June 4 | 10 am - 1 pm

Set your calendars for June 4 to take part in cleaning up Buddy Attick Park from 10 am - 1 pm. Be part of the community effort to clean up around Buddy Attick Park in recognition of Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week. Volunteers will work with Public Works staff to pick up litter from around the park and to remove invasive vines from trees.

Reminders: Bring a reusable water bottle Wear weather-appropriate clothing and closed-toe shoes Students: bring community-service forms Volunteers must register in order to participate

To Register: Contact Environmental Coordinator Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll at kdriscoll@greenbeltmd.gov

ARTFUL AFTERNOON
Sunday, June 5. All ages welcome. FREE!

Outdoor painting and drawing (materials provided or byo), plus a ukulele serenade. Both 1 - 3 pm, *Community Center lawn, 15 Crescent Road*

Art show reception with Sally Davies, 2 - 3:30 pm, *Community Center Art Gallery.*

Greenbelt Museum mini tours, 1 - 5 pm, *10B Crescent Road.*

Information at www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts



GREENBELT RECREATION
2022 SUMMER ACTIVITY GUIDE

YOU ASKED, WE ANSWERED!

Registration for summer classes opens at 10 am instead of midnight. No more staying up late to register! Resident registration opens May 23 at 10 am. Non-resident registration opens May 31 at 10 am

Visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation/ to view and register.

FREE COMMUNITY NURSING PROGRAM

The City of Greenbelt’s Assistance in Living Program (GAIL) in partnership with Bowie State & Washington Adventist University Schools of Nursing are proud to resume offering this program to Greenbelt seniors age 60+ or disabled adults 50+ residing within incorporated City limits.

For more information visit: <https://bit.ly/3OBoe19>

COMMUNITY DISCUSSION ON POLICING

Scan the QR code to take the survey and share your opinion



<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7HTH9HG>

The Public Safety Advisory Committee will be holding four community forums where we will have an open discussion on community policing in our city.

QUESTIONS WE WILL BE ASKING INCLUDE:

- How safe do you feel in your own home?
- What public safety concerns in your neighborhood need to be addressed?
- How would you rate your level of trust with the Greenbelt Police?

FORUMS WILL BE HELD ON

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| June 9 | Greenbriar Community Room | @ 7 pm LIVE, in-person |
| June 13 | Springhill Lake Recreation | @ 7 pm in Spanish, in-person |
| June 16 | Online ZOOM Meeting | @ 7 pm via ZOOM, tinyurl.com/ydxumv4p |
| June 18 | Springhill Lake Recreation | @ 5 pm YOUTH, in-person |

Supporting groups include the *Community Relations Advisory Board, Greenbelt Racial Equity Alliance, and Connecting Across Greenbelt*

Enjoy Music, Art and Museum Tours at June 5 Artful Afternoon

by Nicole DeWald

Greenbelt Recreation Arts invites guests of all ages to enjoy a free Artful Afternoon event on Sunday, June 5. Paint and draw on the front lawn of the Community Center from 1 to 3 p.m. Beginners and all levels welcome. Materials will be available, or guests may bring their own. Greenbelt Recreation painting instructor Racquel Keller will facilitate. Create one's own original artwork inspired by the Center's spectacular trees, historic architecture and bas reliefs, or create a portrait of a companion. Advance sign-ups are encouraged at greenbeltmd.gov/arts.

Also from 1 to 3 p.m. on the lawn, enjoy a large group ukulele serenade. Greenbelt Recreation music instructor and Artist-in-Residence Rachel Ann Cross will lead the chorus through a program of favorites including Stand by Me, What a Wonderful World, Somewhere Over the Rainbow and many more. Intermediate and advanced ukulele players are welcome to sign up online while slots last to receive a free songbook and participate in this event. The sign-up is linked at greenbeltmd.gov/arts.

Painters, uke players and guests are invited to picnic on the lawn. In the event of rain, music and art activities will move indoors. (But no indoor dining, please!)

A reception will be held from 2 to 3:30 p.m. for the new exhibition opening in the Community Center Art Gallery. Notation with Harmony features a survey of brilliant watercolor, acrylic and mosaic paintings by Greenbelt artist and Greenbelt Recreation instructor Sally Davies. Davies' paintings are frequently distinguished by jewel-toned light and shadows and unusual bird's-eye perspectives. Many compositions



Participants make art while ukelele players play a tune at the May, 2021 Artful Afternoon.



"Like Herding Cats" (Museum of Fine Arts, Boston) by Sally Davies

depict the rhythms of humanity moving through interesting social and architectural spaces, while maintaining an "ambiguity" of place. "The inexactness," Davies comments, "suggests that if we step back and take in the whole, we can more easily see beyond differences of language, skin color or traditions." Her work emphasizes the big picture – community. The reception will include a screening of select time-lapse videos that the artist produced, documenting the creation of her paintings. At other times, the videos will be available to view online. The exhibition will be open daily through

August 19.

Guests can also enjoy free mini tours of the Greenbelt Museum from 1 to 5 p.m., in celebration of Greenbelt Day Weekend. Travel back in time to the 1930s and learn about everyday life in the early days of this planned, cooperative community. The Museum's historic house is located across the street from the Community Center at 10-B Crescent Road. For more information about Museum collections and programs, visit greenbeltmuseum.org.

City of Greenbelt Arts programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.



Sally Davies paints in her studio.



Mama duck and ducklings at the pond on Hanover Parkway



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Taylor and Lehman Receive David Craig Scholarships

by Doug Mangum

The David Craig Memorial Scholarship Fund (DCMSF) has announced this year’s winners from the Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) Class of 2022. The fund, which honors service, academics, faith, athletics and personal leadership, made two selections this year: one full \$12,000 award and an additional partial \$3,000 award.

Outstanding financial giving and support from private donors and contributors has permitted the DCMSF to increase its payouts and giving the past two years. The fund, now in its 35th year, began with a \$1,000 award in 1987. Its mission of providing financial educational assistance was established in response to the tragic death of David R. S. Craig in February 1984.

Full Scholarship

Selected for the full scholarship award of \$12,000 is Kimberly Taylor. As class president, she has a long list of school and community involvement. Her father was in the Class of 1979 with myself and David. Taylor plans to attend the University of Michigan in the fall. The family, a tight knit group, already has plans to visit for parents’ weekend in Ann Arbor and take in a football game against the University of Maryland.

Taylor was a member of the ERHS tennis team for three years. She won the Unsung Hero Award playing doubles as a freshman, helping secure the team’s undefeated season within Prince George’s County. As a class president and vice president, she focused on inclusiveness within the student body. Her public service included being director of operations for a nonprofit chapter of Lifting Lives, whose focus is combating educational inequalities. She also organized food drives for families affected by Covid-19, and led in an initiative to gather and distribute feminine hygiene and basic medical products for a women’s shelter.

Church is a vital part of Taylor’s life. Among her multitude of activities was the National Fine Arts competitions that helped channel her talents and gifts toward spreading the gospel, writing sermons stressing the im-

portance of speaking kindly of others. She was involved with skits that advocate for smart, God-centered decision-making for teenagers; volunteering for children’s church as a preacher, teacher and performer engaging younger children; and is nationally ranked as a preacher, musical theatrist, creative writer and dramatist.

An area Taylor worked intensely in was bridging the gap between comp students and science and tech students, as shown in this quote from her application:

“When I entered my presidency in 11th grade, the class council had one non-science and tech or honors student. Therefore, I expanded the council and reserved a third of the new seats for non-science and technology Greenbelt students, empowering the Greenbelt students to have a stronger voice in student government. An unexpected element to this was a blossoming of new friendships. Inclusivity became a product of conversations and shared insights previously not known.”

Taylor is a politically minded, faith-based, positive spirited, critical thinking, fun and engaging young person. The DCMSF is proud to add her name to a long list of awardees.

The second selectee, who will receive a one-time \$3,000 award, is Caroline Lehman, who also has parental lineage to ERHS and the Greenbelt community. Her mother Mary (class of 1983) and grandmother Irene Hensel were pillars of both the Greenbelt and the St. Hugh’s Catholic Church communities.

Partial Scholarship

Lehman, an English and Spanish translator and a politically active force, is co-editor of the Raider Review, the school’s newspaper, where she started working her sophomore year. She is an Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society member. She also serves as president of several organizations within the school. As a mentor and tutor, she serves her fellow students in a plethora of areas.

A dance and drama enthusiast at Stars Studio since the age of 4, she was elevated to instructor

working with the 6- to 9-year-old class. She is also a member of the Travelers Players Ensemble, a Shakespearean troupe, during the summer.

Interested in local politics, Lehman has volunteered with several campaigns at the local, state and national levels. She has also served at vaccine locations as a translator, delivered meals to seniors and interned at the Latino Diversity Leadership Council.

Lehman pursues her Catholic faith with vigor and intentionality, with a professed passion for public service; her record shows enormous participation and community impact in causes ranging from the environment to the impoverished and marginalized. She states that “Justice and equity, are very important” to her. One letter of recommendation speaks volumes to the person she is: “Caroline has never waited for an invitation to make positive change but has instead joined the ranks of civil servants herself. She is a case study of how one can transform the hours of a day into productive work for change.” Lehman will be attending Fordham University in the fall.

The DCMSF congratulates both Taylor and Lehman and the entire Class of 2022 for their perseverance and drive and persistence in dealing with all the challenges that the Class of 2022 has endured and triumphed through in their years attending ERHS during the pandemic.

Fund directors also extend thanks to the entire applicant pool for 2022.

Doug Mangum is president of the David Craig Memorial Scholarship Fund.



Kimberly Taylor receives the Craig Memorial Scholarship from Doug Mangum.



Craig Scholarship Recipient Caroline Lehman

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Meeting of the GHI and GDC Board

Meetings on June 2 , 2022

GHI Closed Meeting – starts at 7:00 p.m - closed to members and visitors

- a) Approve Minutes of the Closed Meeting Held on April 21, 2022
- b) Rental Permit Request from a Member.
- c) Legal Counsel’s Opinion re: GHI Providing Loans to GDC
- d) 2022 Contract for Replacing Roofs on Attached and Rental Garages - 1st reading
- e) Member Financial Matters

GDC Stockholders Meeting and Election of Directors for 2022-23 – starts at 7:45 p.m – open to visitors and members

GDC Open Meeting – starts after the GDC Stockholders’ Meeting ends – open to visitors and members

- a) Election of Officers for the 2022-23 Term
- a) Approve Minutes of the Open Meeting Held on April 21, 2022

GHI Open Meeting -starts after the GDC Open Meeting ends – open to visitors and members

- a) Statement of an Informal Hearing Held in a Closed Meeting on May 16, 2022
- b) Statement of a Closed Board Meeting Held on May 19, 2022
- c) Statement of a Closed Meeting of the Member Handbook and Board Policy Manual Standardization Task Force Held on May 24, 2022
- d) Statement of a Closed Board Meeting Held on June 2, 2022
- e) Approve Minutes of the Special Open Meeting Held on April 14, 2022
- f) Approve Minutes of the Regular Open Meeting Held on April 21, 2022
- g) Proposed Rules for Pools and Outdoor Recreation Structures
- h) Member Comments re: Proposed Rules for Impervious Surfaces and Water Run-off Capture and Control Requirements
- i) Proposed Revisions to GHI’s Complaint Procedures
- j) Review GHI’s Replacement Reserves Programs
- k) Yards and Exteriors’ Inspection Program

Members and visitors who wish to attend the Open meetings must register in advance for this meeting via the following link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZypd-Crpj8tEtGnHBlvurT0oQvA4hZBbDGm>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

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of the financial predicament that city residents continue to experience from the pandemic, and that Greenbelt does vastly more for its residents than similar municipalities of its size.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts was adamant that there should be no reason for evictions to be occurring given the significant amount of ARPA funds still unused.

Police Week

Police Chief Richard Bowers reported that this year's addition to the National Police Memorial in Washington, D.C., is one of the largest, greatly driven by deaths from Covid. In addition to the events in D.C., Police Week has seen many local events sponsored by organizations like the Prince George's County Command Officers and Municipal Chiefs' Associations. Many newly sworn-in Greenbelt police officers were present at the meeting as well.

Acting Director of Public Works Brian Townsend was pleased by the recent plantings and bioretention area installed at Buddy Attick Park.

Older Americans Month

Older Americans Month has seen a large array of events and programs. The centenarian program, led by Therapeutic Recreation Supervisor Rebekah Sutfin, has now had two celebrations with another coming soon. The Senior Citizens Advisory Board, led by Betty Timer, is now at full capacity for the first time in five years. On Saturday, June 4, the board is having an online forum to showcase positive adaptations to the pandemic. The group Age My Way has as its goal the assisting of seniors to age in their homes.

Christal Batey, community resource advocate from Greenbelt CARES and GAIL, revealed a long list of future events. Planned Community Center events included a produce distribution on May 19 and an Open Air Resource Fair on May 24. A Health Screening was held at Green Ridge House on May 20, where

visitors could have their blood pressure, cholesterol, blood glucose and A1C assessed.

Budget Hearing

The public hearing began with an email from Molly Lester. Among other points not discussed at the moment, Lester expressed that the livable wage for lower pay grade, single adult city employees, based on a recent assessment by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology study, is \$22.96/hour. She also encouraged raising the fine for ongoing municipal infractions from \$500 to \$1,500 as a stronger deterrent in situations like chronic trash accumulation.

In response to a question from resident Bill Orleans, Councilmember Judith Davis said that all groups or entities receiving city funds must and do produce documented receipts and requests and that all transactions are closely followed up.

Resident Joyce Campbell stated the need to curtail any rise in city taxes, citing the upswings in inflation and cost-of-living. Speaking as a senior, she related the challenges many experience from living on a fixed income. Rather than hire a full-time diversity/inclusivity position, she suggested a wiser and more frugal strategy was to simply provide related training to city staff.

Resident Bob Rudd echoed her sentiments, saying that the city's property owners, homeowners and small business owners "are facing a terrible burden" through their financing of many city efforts. He called for a revenue neutral budget, and agreed that new hirings would be unwise in the current "bad economic times." He called for council to "make the tough calls and balance the budget" without a raise in the tax rate.

Acting City Manager Timothy George praised the success of the recent job fair where 50 participants met with the 17 employers present. He extolled Greenbelt for the "huge community response" that "exceeded expectations" on possible uses for the ARPA funds.

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University of Maryland student Sydney Jones made a short video of the one-day workshop, which was on view in the Screening Room during the grand opening event.

During the grand opening tour, Director of Operations Stephenie Arcido answered questions about future educational opportunities in the Screening Room and media lab, which will include camps for kids, workshops for all ages, lectures and classes for adults. Let's Make a Movie workshops for kids and I Heart Home Movies film-to-digital conversion workshops for adults are just two examples of coming activities. The lobby area and storefront will also include interactive exhibits and displays in collaboration with the Greenbelt Museum. FOGT plan to show additional information about the history of



PHOTO BY JON GARDNER

Senator Paul Pinsky and Caitlin McGrath chat outside the new Screening Room at the grand opening on May 14.

films and the experience of going to see films. As the Making New Sounds for Silent Movies video makes clear, the motto of

the Screening Room and Media Arts Literacy Lab is emphatically "Exploring, Learning, Creating."

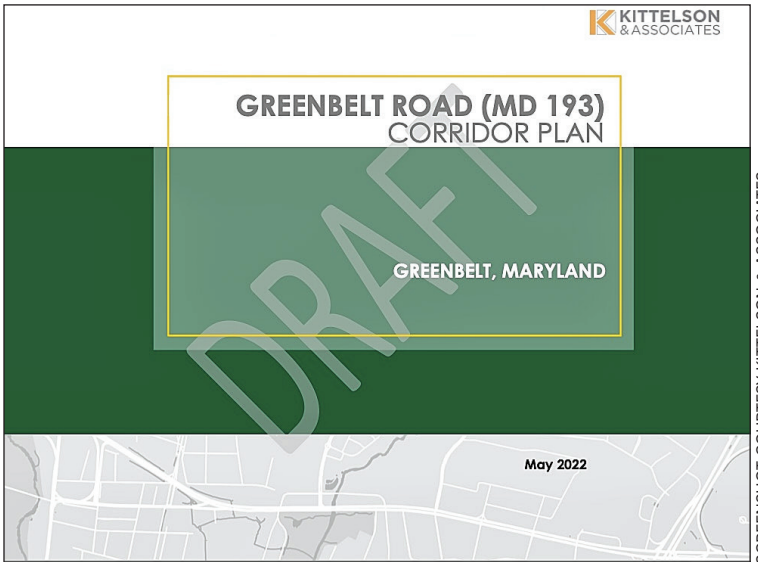
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sessions, Greenbelt Road was called an "unfriendly, dangerous and ugly" road. One commenter explained, "[We need to] decide whether this is infrastructure for cars to pass through or a place for people."

The draft plan addressed specifics, including how to make the corridor the right size for the demand.

"The consultant team recommends removing one through lane in each direction of Greenbelt Road ...," Kittelson wrote. "The removal of one through lane in each direction should be done in conjunction with analyzing the corridor intersections using current traffic volumes and include a review of corridor-wide signal timing."

The draft also addressed specifics on making the corridor a place people want to walk and bike, and improving the transit experience. In addition, the team addressed how Greenbelt Road could better connect residential communities, businesses, neighborhoods, parks and trails.



SCREENSHOT COURTESY KITTELSON & ASSOCIATES

The draft of the Greenbelt Road Corridor Plan

To see the draft plan, visit the Greenbelt Road Corridor Plan website at greenbeltmd.gov/government/greenbelt-road-md-193-corridor. The page also offers a form for comments.

Commenters who cannot use the form may send comments

to Simmons via email at hsimmons@greenbeltmd.gov, or send hard copy to Attn: Greenbelt Road Corridor Plan, City of Greenbelt Department of Planning & Community Development, 15 Crescent Road, Suite 200, Greenbelt, MD 20770.



Auto Auction

April 29-May 9, 2022,
10am-12pm

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Snapping turtle



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This big turtle, 15- to 18-inches across the shell, swims in shallow water at Buddy Attick Park.

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National Police Week



On Tuesday, May 10, in recognition of National Police Week 2022, a few kindhearted residents gather to provide a special luncheon buffet for the Greenbelt Police Department to honor the service of these dedicated men and women. Various sandwiches, salads, Mediterranean dishes and desserts were prepared by residents Mona Atari and Kathy Legendre. They and others enjoy spending a few quality moments with civilian employees, officers and command staff of the department. Back from left, Chief Richard Bowers, Captain Mark Sagan, Detective Dylan Davis, Maria Auchter, Detective Charles Wooten, Detective Carl Roberson, and Sergeant Scott Kaiser; front from left, Kathy Reynolds, Claudia Jones and Mary Howerton



Lilacs

PHOTO COURTESY GREENBELT POLICE

PHOTO BY HELENOR MESIAS

Police Blotter

Incidents reported here occurred from May 16 through May 22. Readers are encouraged to contact the police if they have information that may aid in an enquiry. Call the non-emergency number 301-474-7200 or email pd@greenbeltmd.gov. Note that the times provided are when the incidents were reported.

Robbery

On May 19 at 8:45 p.m. near 6100 Breezewood Drive, victim robbed at gunpoint; suspects shot at the victim but missed; personal property taken.

Assault

On May 19 at 8:26 p.m. near 9100 Springhill Lane, disagreement between strangers turned physical. On May 20 at 6:17 p.m. near 6100 Greenbelt Road, juvenile fight.

Break-In

On May 19 at 7:04 p.m. near 7200 Mathew Street, residence burglarized, personal property taken. On May 20 at 6:47 p.m. near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, personal property taken from residence. On May 21 at 3:11 p.m. near 7200 Mathew Street, person entered residence, then fled once resident arrived home.

DUI

On May 21 at 9:33 p.m. near Kenilworth Avenue/Capital Beltway, DUI Arrest.

Fraud

On May 19 at 3:48 p.m. near Ridge Road, mail check fraud.

Lost Firearm

On May 22 at 10:34 p.m. near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, lost firearm reported.

Shoplifting

On May 19 at 4:44 p.m. near 100 Centerway, commercial theft.

Theft

On May 20 at 7:21 p.m. near 8100 Lakecrest Drive, package theft. On May 21 at 4:15 p.m. near Westway, Orbea bicycle stolen.

Theft from Vehicle

On May 16 at 7:35 a.m. near 8150 Lakecrest Drive, steering wheel airbags were stolen from nine Honda Civics in the area: two 2021, two 2018, one 2020, three 2017 and one 2016. On May 16 at 9:15 a.m. near 550 Crescent Road, personal property taken from unlocked vehicle. On May 16 at 2:36 p.m. near 7600 Greenbelt Road, when driver went inside to pay for gas, window was smashed and personal property taken. On May 18 at 5:18 p.m. near 9000 Breezewood Terrace, rear tag stolen. On May 21 at 2:10 a.m. near 7800 Mandan Road, rims and tires stolen from vehicle. On May 21 at 7:26 a.m. near 6000 Springhill Drive, rims and tires stolen from vehicle. On May 22 at 9:44 a.m. near 7200 Hanover Drive, driver-side window smashed, personal property taken. On May 22 at 12:15 p.m. near 7200 Hanover Drive, passenger-side window broken, vehicle rummaged through, nothing taken.

On May 18 at 10:21 p.m. near 550 Crescent Road, caller threatened police personnel and property.

Vandalism

On May 16 at 9:45 a.m. near Centerway, skate park graffitied. On May 16 at 3:01 p.m. near 100 Centerway, business graffitied. On May 17 at 6:43 a.m. near Edmonston Terrace/Breezewood Court, vehicle broken into, property stolen. On May 22 at 6:03 a.m. near 7800 Walker Drive, two vehicles had passenger-side windows broken, nothing taken. A third vehicle had a window broken and personal property taken.

Vehicle Recovered

On May 21 at 10:07 a.m. near 7800 Walker Drive, stolen vehicle located.

Vehicle Stolen

On May 16 at 1:02 a.m. near Greenbelt Road/Kenilworth Avenue, stolen motorcycle involved in single-vehicle crash; driver transported to hospital with injuries. On May 18 at 7:11 p.m. near 6000 Springhill Drive, auto stolen. On May 19 at 5:15 p.m. near 7700 Hanover Parkway, a 2016 Nissan Altima was stolen. On May 21 at 8:32 p.m. near 7200 Hanover Drive, a Lexus ES350 stolen, later recovered by Bladensburg Police Department.

Vehicle Vandalism

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Electric Bike Trip Offers Greenbelt Pair New Perspective on Portugal’s Algarve

by Cathie Meetre

Rick and Cathie Meetre chanced an early-season cycle trip to Portugal in mid-March. Their early-season timing reflected the fact that Portugal’s Algarve region is a major summer tourist enclave that runs across the southern coast of the country. Much patronized by English and German sun-seekers on cheap flights from cooler and damper climes, these resorts are a madhouse of bikinis and suntan lotion in summer – where zero rain, plentiful sunshine and high temperatures illuminate sundrenched beaches and surfable waves but make things tough for cyclists.

Out of Season

Mid-March, not so much. With acres of empty apartments and hotel rooms, lodging is cheap and beaches are the haunt of gulls and the occasional wet-suited surfer. Temperatures stay in the 50s and 60s and the skies are often cloudy or gray (and this year, sometimes ochre-yellow from Saharan sand storms) – though little rain fell during their ‘rainy season’ to the disappointment of a region under drought. For the cyclist, this meant perfect cycling weather and low traffic volumes on roads built for heavier summer traffic – if, that is, they cycle on the roads.

Loulé, reached by train from Lisbon, was where the Meetres rented electric bikes and started out. An earlier trip planned for 2019 and canceled because of the pandemic had been designed around regular bikes and was necessarily conservative due to their limited cycling prowess. Since then, the pair, with encouragement from electric bike converts Steve and Lola Skolnik and Richard and Carol Roth of Greenbelt, had redesigned the trip for electric bikes – extending daily mileages and incorporating more of the mountainous regions inland that were otherwise too much for older legs. Despite the electric assist, the Meetres were still conservative in their planning. Which, it turned out, was probably a good thing.

Crazy Eights

The route was a rough figure eight, about 450 km (~300 miles) long, as shown in the map. The e-bikes tackled most of it with ease, including one day with a total climb of about 500 meters (~1,650 feet). The climb statistic accumulates all the ups – the start was at sea level and the end at about 440 meters (~1,450 feet) but with lots of hills and valleys on the way. In the steepest four-mile section, the Meetres accumulated approximately 800 feet uphill. Some pedaling.

Roads Less Travelled

The statistic, however, doesn’t take into account the road surface. It was practically impossible to determine in advance what the surface would be like, though their suspicions that all

but the bigger roads might be dirt was correct. An ‘M’ (M for Municipal) class road near the coast would be asphalt, but in the hills it was dirt. Not dirt like civilized Northway down to the ballfields, but a mix of gravel, sand and blasted-out and slippery rock, with gouges carved into muddy ground, potholes, fords and steep drop-offs on the side. Scary enough to ride up – and even scarier to ride down with some 25 percent grades (one foot uphill for each four forward). Even with the e-bikes on full power, in the lowest gear and pedaling like a banshee, some were only just doable and woe betide he who lost momentum half way up. There were no second chances.

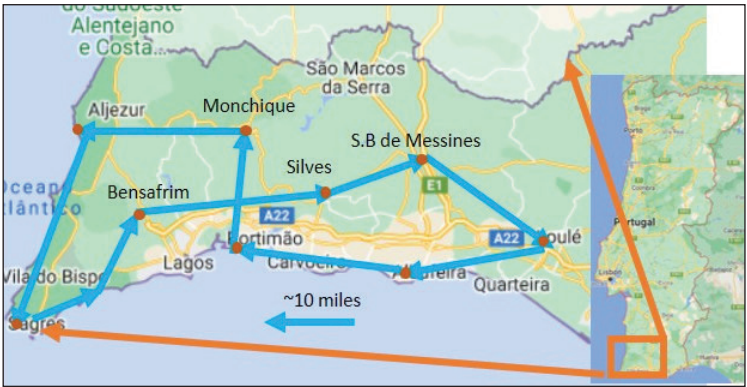
The trip would have been physically impossible for the Meetres on their heavy pannier-loaded bikes without the boost from the Bosch battery and motor.

The roads got worse the further from the beaches, and the country they went through was practically uninhabited. A fall or injury would leave the victim far from any help with no cell phone signal and a landscape dotted with ruined and abandoned farmsteads. The Meetres sometimes cycled for hours without seeing an inhabited house, a person or a vehicle – just peace and beauty.

In fact, Portugal is ‘re-wilding’ the area just north of their route – reintroducing species that lived here centuries before many humans did. An Iberian lynx breeding sanctuary lay nearby their route and that endangered population is now beginning to thrive again (but not, so far, with cyclists as prey).

The Meetres experienced two weeks of surprises, friendliness, spectacular scenery, interesting stays and a continuing saga of nature in one of Europe’s least populated areas, despite the influx of half Europe along its beaches.

Read the next installment to find out how they fared in their excursion into the wild.



UNDERLYING MAP COURTESY GOOGLE

Starting and ending in Loulé, the ride loops from beaches to hills to the very tip of Portugal. The actual routes diverge significantly from the direct lines, avoiding major roads and visiting reservoirs, villages and beaches along the way.



PHOTO BY RICK MEETRE

It was a serious blunder to stop. Notice the precipice to Cathie's left.

No respectable Greenbelter goes abroad without a copy of the News Review for the requisite photo, as modeled by Rick Meetre.



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Dance Studio Performance



Mecca Lartigue is the Fairie Queen in the Community Center dance studio performance on Saturday, May 21.



Dancers perform as Forest Fairies.



Flower Fairies, Penelope Kerdock (Daisy), Adelina Foster (Rose), Aria Robinson (Daffodil), Tabatha Melin (Iris) and Pelumi Taiwo (Daylily) pose inside the dance studio.



The dancers pose outside the Community Center dance studio.

- Photos by Kate Magill Robinson

Residents See & Hear Birds On Walk at Greenbelt Lake

by Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll

Before the summer-like heat settled around Buddy Attick Park on Saturday, May 21, a group of residents partook in the 8 a.m. Birding 101 event with the Department of Public Works. Environmental Coordinator Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll and Horticulture Supervisor Lori Thiele introduced participants to birding basics and led a guided walk around Greenbelt Lake.

To set the tone, a pair of Red-shouldered Hawk chicks greeted the group, who identified 23 bird species during their walk. A Yellow-billed Cuckoo put on a show along the peninsula, jumping between tree branches and pursuing insects. Along the southeast portion of the trail, a Hermit Thrush perched low in a tree and showed off its distinctive song with a melodic two-toned trill at the end.

The group kept their eyes trained along the tree line for songbirds as they walked across the dam, when their prize, a Baltimore Oriole, flew overhead and alighted atop a tree while displaying its impressive colors and song. Some participants noted this was the first time they'd seen an oriole in person despite it being the state bird of Maryland.

The event concluded at 10 a.m. and everyone left feeling satisfied with the successful loop around the Lake. Anyone inter-



PHOTO BY LORI THIELE

Environmental Coordinator Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll points out a Yellow-billed Cuckoo in the trees on the peninsula of Buddy Attick Park.

ested in events like this or in volunteering with the Department of Public Works, can email Carpenter-Driscoll at kdriscoll@greenbeltmd.gov to join the email list.



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Red-tailed Hawk at Buddy Attick Park



PHOTO BY KATHRYN BEARD

Grackle gets a bath in the Lake.



PHOTO BY CHARLES JACKMAN

Great Blue Heron near a pond in Greenbelt East



PHOTO BY CAMILA LUCHSINGER

Mountain laurel blooms in the Forest Preserve.

Bike to Work Day



PHOTO COURTESY BILL NORWOOD

Bill Norwood and Mrs. Cat stop at the Bike to Work Day Pit Stop staffed by Greenbelt Recreation on Friday, May 20.

